Subj: Macon Georgia Update

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Update on Macon Case:

This is only 90 percent confirmed, but we have good information that Kevin Barker, one of the confidential informants in the Starr/McCranie/Kyser case, is a convicted felon on cocaine charges. If this is confirmed, then Mr. Barker will have some trouble explaining the photo we have of him with an AK-47 in his hands, also the personal handgun he owns, a 9mm P89 Ruger pistol. As you know, convicted felons cannot legally possess firearms.

We recently confirmed via ATF manual on electronic surveillance rules, that informants MUST be wired for every meeting that is listed in the status report. This is a relatively new internal ATF regulation that was brought about due to so many informants lying to their handlers for the reasons of getting paid. As previously reported, the ATF has admitted that there is no tape on some of the meetings referred to in the status report that we have a copy of. Once an operation by ATF is considered a "wired operation," then every meeting between informants and subject, that are listed in the status report, must have supporting tape. ATF has already declared this operation a "wired operation," by introducing taped evidence during the pre-trial hearings. We will have ATF agents that will be testifying to this internal regulation.

As you all may have heard, Jimmie McCranie is in solitary confinement, no reasons have been given by the Marshals. His attorneys are working to

get Jimmy moved to better facilities.

Troy Kyser is doing well and in very good spirits.

Bob Starr is continuing his crusade inside the jail, he has tremendous support from the other inmates and many of the local law enforcement personnel. I talk with him about twice a day, and he's real excited about getting to trial and kicking some ass.

The transcripts of the taped meeting between Bart McEntire, Bob Starr,
Jimmy McCranie and Shawn Gordon has been released by Jimmie's attorneys
to Mike Perrin. I will be getting a copy of that soon. Mike tells me
that there is some severely damaging information about ATF on that tape.
I will have to clear it with the attorneys, but will try to transcribe
this tape and get it out to the public. There is also other tape that
the defense holds of other meetings between the defendants and agents of
the federal government.

We are continuing to investigate other leads that have yet to be publicly disclosed, but our sources inside ATF say that the government has absolutely no case, and are extremely worried about this fact. In other words, they did not expect so much support from the militia, attorneys, press... and worst of all, their "fellow agents."

Photos of Danny and Kevin Barker are being circulated throughout the Southeast... due to this, we have already received one very good tip from another militiaman that wishes to remain anonymous. We are also running down a connection between informants inside the Georgia group

and a well-known federal informant from another state. Subpoenas will be issued come trial time.

We have people in the Macon area that are quietly talking to non-militia people. Public sentiment for the defendants is growing by leaps and bounds. Many "civilians," in the Macon area are referring to defendants as "political prisoners." We have also made some friends in the local press, who are doing their own investigations into the corruption of this case. The next couple of months should be interesting.

The investigation is going fine, but we are still in need of donations to help out with the families expenses. We appreciate the many folks who have helped out, but will definitely be needing more to make sure the families are okay until the defendants are released. Contributions can be sent to the below address. Also, I ask everyone to contact Jon at USA Features (USAFeature@gnn.com) and send them a buck or two for a raffle ticket on the shotgun, SKS and other items that are being raffled on July 4th to help out with the defense of the defendants in Georgia. I have been too busy to get these raffle tickets passed around, due to my involvement in the investigation, so Jon needs all the help he can get on this. PLEASE take the time to contact Jon and send him one dollar, if nothing else.

Bob also asked that ya'll write to him and send him as much information as possible. Any information you send cannot be stapled... it must be in loose leaf form, including magazines. The other inmates are real interested in the movement, so we need to get as much information as possible to them, as well as the deputies.

This investigation team and work will not stop after the Starr case is resolved, we fully intend to continue on and help other victims of government abuse. CopWatch is in full force and now has a focused agenda.

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